Biography

Lawrence E. Howard Army Senior Fellow Deputy Under Secretary of the Army



Mr. Lawrence E. Howard was selected for the Deputy Under Secretary of the Army's new Army Senior Fellows Program in July 2007 based on his outstanding career accomplishments, education, and potential to compete for future Army Senior Executive Service (SES) positions. He is currently serving as the Talent Pool Manager. Before joining the Senior Fellows Program, Mr. Howard served in a wide variety of key civilian and military positions in both the U.S. and overseas.

Mr. Howard initially entered active duty as an Army infantry officer in a variety of command and staff positions in the United States, Germany, and Kuwait. After leaving active duty, Mr. Howard was a defense contractor, providing on-site staff support as the security manager and Information Systems Security Officer for the Office of the Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense for Gulf War Illnesses, where he managed all SCI and collateral security matters. Mr. Howard later led a contractor support team as a requirements integration staff officer in HQDA, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, where he coordinated 3- and 4-star chaired requirements council meetings. As an Army civilian, Mr. Howard evaluated Global War on Terrorism-related urgent operational needs and emerging information operations capability requirements needed to best support warfighting commanders.

Mr. Howard has also remained active in the Army Reserve as a civil affairs officer, with tours in Bosnia and Herzegovina as well as Baghdad, Iraq. He is currently assigned as a politico-military planner in the Joint Staff's Strategic Plans and Policies Directorate (J5).

Mr. Howard earned a Master of Strategic Studies degree from the U.S. Army War College, a Master of Business Administration degree from Frostburg State University, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and Staff College, Infantry and Civil Affairs Officer Advanced Courses, and the Ranger Course. Mr. Howard has received several military and civilian performance awards, including the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Commander's Award for Civilian Service.

Mr. Howard and his wife, Edie, reside in Woodbridge, VA with their daughter Caroline.